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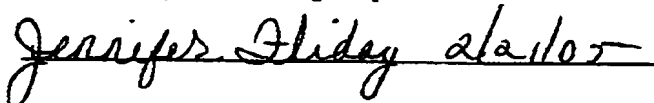
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For: METHOD OF PREPARING A SYNTHETIC FUEL FROM COAL

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- [ X ] Applicants herewith petition the Assistant Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated 10/20/2004 for 1 month from 1/20/2005 to 2/21/2005. Please charge our deposit account No. 14-0105 in the amount of \$120 to cover the cost of the extension.

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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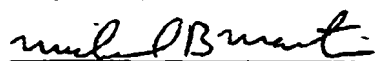
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**CONCLUSION**

In view of the foregoing amendment and remarks, Applicant respectfully requests entry of this amendment and withdrawal of the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) and respectfully asserts that this application is in condition for allowance. Early notice to this effect is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully Submitted,



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